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SUBJECT: OIL BARTER: REPORTED FRG/BELGIUM/IRANIAN OIL BARTER
AGREEMENT

REF: TEHRAN 1758

1. SUMMARY

FOLLOWING TEXT SUMMARIZES MEDIA COVERAGE OF SUBJECT AGREEMENT
FROM DUESSELDORF OPTIC. KRUPP SPOKESMEN HAVE DESCRIBED FIRM'S ROLE
IN TRANSACTION AS THAT OF BROKER ONLY, DENIED ANY CONNECTION
BETWEEN THIS AGREEMENT AND GOI PURCHASE OF EQUITY IN KRUPP, AND
AVOIDED SUBJECT OF PRICE PAID FOR CRUDE BY PETROFINA.
END SUMMARY

2. AGREEMENT BETWEEN KRUPP AND NATIONAL IRANIAN OIL CO. (NIOC)
INVOLVING SEVERAL MILLION TONS OF CRUDE OIL TO BE USED BY A
REFINING COMPANY WAS SUBJECT OF FEB. 15 ARTICLE IN RHEINISCHE POST,
(DUESSELDORF). PRESS REPORT CARRIED A DENIAL BY KRUPP OF ANY
CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TRANSACTION AND GOI'S ACQUISITION OF
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25.01 PERCENT OF KRUPP'S CAPITAL STOCK.

3. MARCH 1 ISSUE OF DIE WELT (BONN), QUOTING KHAYAM INT'L, OF
TEHRAN, REPORTED THAT IRAN WILL EXCHANGE CRUDE OIL FOR DOLLARS 67.5
MILLION WORTH OF COPPER SMELTING EQUIPMENT FROM KRUPP AND THE
BELGIAN FIRM, ORGIL. THE PRESS REPORT ALSO CITED SPECULATION THAT
IRAN WOULD PAY FOR ITS SHARES OF KRUPP STOCK IN THE SAME MANNER.

4. ON MARCH 2ND, HANDELSBLATT (DUESSELDORF) AND SEVERAL OTHER PAPERS, CARRIED LENGTHY REPORT OF PRESS CONFERENCE HELD BY KRUPP OFFICIALS ON MARCH 1. KRUPP SPOKESMEN STATED THEIR PLEASURE WITH MID-FEBRUARY VISIT TO TEHRAN WHICH FOLLOWED CLOSELY ON HEELS OF GERMAN FEDERAL CARTEL OFFICE'S APPROVAL OF THE GOI PARTICIPATION IN KRUPP. DURING PRESS CONFERENCE KRUPP ANNOUNCED GOI PAYMENT OF FIRST INSTALLMENT (PRICE NOT DISCLOSED) FOR KRUPP SHARES AND THAT INCREASE IN FIRM'S CAPITAL HAS BEEN REGISTERED ON FEB. 21 WITH APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES. THE REMAINING TWO PAYMENTS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE MADE IN MID-1977 AND MID-1978. ALSO DURING MARCH 1 MEETING WITH PRESS, ALFRED LUKAC OF THE KRUPP EXECUTIVE BOARD DENIED ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THE INCREASE OF THE KRUPP EQUITY AND THE 4.5 MILLION TON CRUDE OIL TRANSACTION BETWEEN KRUPP AND NIOC. HE INDICATED THAT HIS FIRM HAD MERELY ACTED AS A BROKER IN THIS DEAL QUOTE QUITE PROFITABLY UNQUOTE AND THAT THE FINAL BUYER, PETROFINA, WILL MAKE PAYMENT DIRECTLY TO NIOC. HEINZ PETRY, CHAIRMAN OF THE KRUPP EXECUTIVE BOARD, ADDED THAT KRUPP IS INTERESTED IN ADDITIONAL OIL DEALS OF THIS KIND QUOTE EVEN IF SOME PEOPLE DON'T LIKE THAT UNQUOTE.

4. NO INDICATIONS WERE GIVEN REGARDING THE PRICE CHARGED BY NIOC FOR THE CRUDE OIL DELIVERED TO PETROFINA. DUX

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